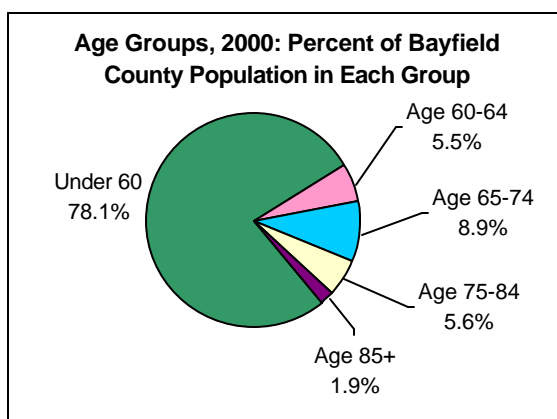

Bayfield County's Older Population

A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in Bayfield County is higher than that of the state as a whole (16.4% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been much slower in this county than in the state as a whole (-0.2% versus 7.9%). In all, 2,464 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 287 of these are age 85 or older. Bayfield County's average (or median) age is 42.1 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

Bayfield County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	15,013		14,008		1,005	7.2%
Persons 60 and over	3,291	21.9%	3,182	22.7%	109	3.4%
Persons 65 and over	2,464	16.4%	2,470	17.6%	-6	-0.2%
Persons 85 and over	287	1.9%	218	1.6%	69	31.7%



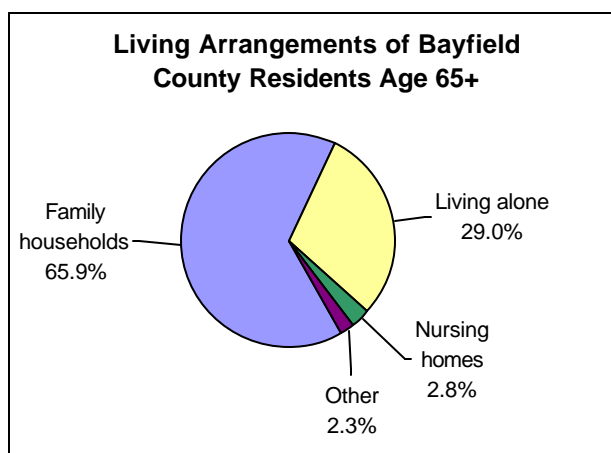
Race:

A large majority (96.6%) of Bayfield County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. Bayfield County African Americans have a median age of 9.0 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 16.1 years. Whites, in contrast, average 43.7 years.

Living Arrangements:

Of the 6,207 households in Bayfield County, 1,763 include at least one person age 65 or older (28.4% of all households). A total of 1,639 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 86.3% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (65.9%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 29.0% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 3.0% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 68 people age 65 and older live in Bayfield County nursing homes (2.8% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1.

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